

PDP COMMODITY
SAMPLE FACT SHEET
(effective 10/1/01)

PRODUCT: Peas (PS)

SAMPLING PROCEDURES: Sampling begins October 1, 2001. Peas (canned or frozen) will be sampled for two (2) years continuing through September 2003. Peas will be sampled at the single rate.

Samplers will collect only canned sweet peas from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002.
Samplers will collect only frozen sweet peas from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2003.

VARIETIES: If the variety is easily identified on the can or package, enter that information in the "Variety" field of the Sample Information Form (SIF). If the variety is not available, leave the "Variety" field blank. Sample collectors should not enter the brand or trade name (i.e, Dole, Libby's) on the SIF.

AVAILABILITY: Year-round.

SAMPLE SIZE: 3 pounds

ACCEPTABLE PRODUCTS: Canned or frozen peas.

UNACCEPTABLE PRODUCTS: Peas with mixed vegetable, frozen peas in a pod (sugar snaps, snow peas, snap peas), fresh peas.

PACKAGING AND SHIPPING: Frozen peas should be packaged with sufficient coolant materials to ensure samples arrive in the laboratory either frozen or cold to touch.

Canned peas should not be packaged with fresh vegetables, unless additional packaging materials or partitioned shipping boxes are used to prevent fresh product from being damaged.

All canned/frozen pea samples, except for California and Maryland, will be shipped to the Tallahassee, Florida laboratory (FL1). A duplicate sample will be collected and shipped to Florida laboratory (FL1), Tallahassee, Florida.

RECOMMENDED TRANSPORT CONDITIONS: N/A

ETHYLENE PRODUCER/SENSITIVE: N/A